Mr. Chair,

The Portuguese delegation, as a Member State of the European Union, would like to thank the secretariat for the elaboration of the sharing session Report with respect to the use of artificial intelligence for examination of patent applications and information relating to WIPO's technical assistance activities relating to use of AI as tools for patent offices. We consider this report to be very relevant for us because it provides a useful compilation of different approaches and information on the matter related with AI, which in our opinion, is important to all member states.

Regarding the document "Study on approaches to the quality of patent grant process" (SCP/31/3), as we said before we consider this study very relevant because it allows sharing information among member states, providing a stronger knowledge and understanding of how each member state understands "quality of patent grant process", which in our opinion, is important to improve the Quality System.

The Portuguese delegation continues to reiterate its support and commitment for advancing work on quality of patents and we consider the sharing session on the patentability issues relating to artificial intelligence very useful because it helps member states to understand the real impacts of artificial intelligence on issues related with patents.

Thank you